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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

This *Response* is submitted in response to the August 3, 2010 Office Action. The shortened statutory period for response to the Office Action expired on November 3, 2010. In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action. The period for response is thereby extended to February 3, 2011. Thus, this Response to the Office action is timely filed.

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